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Sir:

The undersigned points out that the PCT Application Number on the executed declaration is incorrect. The PCT Application Number should be **PCT/JP00/05621** instead of PCT/JP99/03064. The other information, including the title, foreign priority information and inventor information, is correct.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is properly executed and should be considered as filed in executed form. However, if the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that the present application is not properly executed, Applicants respectfully request that the present application be treated as an unexecuted application under 37 C.F.R. 1.494(b).

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